



VICKSBURG SAWA NEWS

The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary of Vicksburg, Mississippi

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Calendar of Events

July 12 (noon) - SAWA Meeting
 Aug. 2 (noon) - SAWA Meeting
 Sep. 13 (noon) - SAWA Meeting
 Oct. 4 (noon) - SAWA Meeting
 Oct. 11 - S&S Prep Day
 Oct. 12 - **31st Annual Soup & Sandwich**
 Nov 8 (noon) - SAWA Meeting
 Dec 6 (noon) - SAWA Meeting



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From the President's Desk

Dear Ladies,

Happy Fourth of July! Summer is a time for fun, friends, and fireworks. Although the weather is hot, we still enjoy outdoor activities such as cookouts, swimming, camping, boating, biking or just sitting in a chair outside. And of course, we enjoy those road trips taking us to amusement parks, historic sites or just driving the children or grandchildren out for ice cream. As we travel, we see lots of people on the road in cars or campers being pulled behind a SUV. We can travel with such ease in this country without any restrictions or fear, but this freedom did not come easily.

Many years ago when our forefathers came to this country, they decided that freedom of choice and freedom of travel were of the highest importance. So, in 1776 we were blessed with a Constitution and a Bill of Rights which have stood the test of time and have become a symbol of hope for other countries. It is called democracy and it is the envy of the world! Early on there were wars and even today the value of freedom is at the forefront as our soldiers and those from other countries fight to ensure freedom for all.

As we enjoy our summer and prepare to celebrate the Fourth of July with family and friends, let us remember the men and women serving in uniform (past and present) protecting our country so that we may enjoy the freedom to celebrate this holiday.

Let's remember to thank our men and women in uniform for their contribution in making this the best country in the world.

Pray for our nation. If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14

Serving together,

Trudy



2010 - 2012 SAWA Officers and Committee Chairmen

- Trudy James President
- Phyllis Renfro ... 1st Vice Pres. (Membership Chair)
- Barbara Cashman 2nd Vice Pres. (Publicity Chair)
- Judy Monroe Secretary
- Carolyn Fugler Treasurer
- Anne Page Chaplain
- Gwen Edris..... Nominating Committee Chair
- Pearl Carter..... Finance Committee Chair
- Sue Tolbert/Phyllis Renfro..... Soup & Sandwich Committee Chair
- Tina Grau..... S&S Silent Auction Chair; Pat Martin & Carole Simpson, Co-Chair
- HELP WANTED!..... Christmas Angel Tree Committee Chair
- Christmas Stocking Committee Chair
- Barbara Cashman Publicity Committee Chair
- HELP WANTED! Hospitality Committee Chair



July Meeting Theme: Let Freedom Ring



After our Founding Fathers unanimously approved the Declaration of Independence, and it was later signed on July 4, 1776, there was a call to celebrate –to fire cannons, to fill the sky with fireworks, and to ring the bells in celebration! And the very first bell they rang was in the belfry of the very hall where they approved the Declaration of Independence to summon the people to hear the first public reading of America’s founding document. They rang that bell—we know it as the “Liberty Bell.” Where did it get its name? From July the fourth? From the Declaration of Independence? No. The name comes from the Scripture that imprinted on that bell years earlier **Lev. 25:10 - which says: “Proclaim liberty throughout the land unto all the inhabitants thereof!”**

Let Freedom Ring!



Welcome New Members!

We are so happy to be welcoming four new members to our Auxiliary: Harley Caldwell, Anna Evans, MiHyang Faulks, and Cappy Martin.

We're delighted you've joined our group, and look forward to forming new friendships while helping others.

SA Thrift Store Needs Your Bags

Ladies, Please bring your excess grocery (or other) bags to our July meeting for Thrift Store Use – They desperately need them for customers (YES – BUSINESS IS GREAT!).



HELP WANTED! Angel Tree Chairman and Co-Chairmen



An Angel Tree Chairperson and/or Co-Chairmen are needed. What a meaningful project to volunteer for and would make great Christmas present to yourself or in honor of a loved one!

Contact Trudy James at

601-415-2994 or email: tjames@canufly.net.

Angel Tree Reminder

Begin thinking Christmas! As you see sales – look for stocking goodies, filling needs and dreams of Angel Tree children, and collecting items for Senior Angel gifts (larger size warm-ups, lap throws, large-print Bibles, clock radios/CD players, and inspirational music CDs all make great gifts for senior citizens). **Please consider teaming up with a friend or two and chairing this worthwhile project!**



Salvation Army Office:
 Mon – Fri. 9:00 – Noon; 1:00 - 4:00
 Office closed on Friday (and daily from Noon – 1:00 for lunch)

Thrift Store Hours:
 Mon – Fri 9:00 – 5:30
 Saturday 9:00 – 4:00

Help always needed here!
Phone 601-636-2769 for pickups.



Soup & Sandwich Luncheon

Preparations are beginning for our biggest fundraising event of the year. We want to make it the best ever. To meet this goal, every member will have a part to play. Sue Tolbert and Phyllis Renfro, as overall event chairpersons, will be offering plenty of opportunities for member involvement on every level. Please be ready and willing to volunteer – better yet, step forward and offer to help in the area you'd like to help before you're even asked. *If anyone is interested in being chairperson of S&S next year, then they can shadow Sue and Phyllis this year to get some knowledge of what needs to be done.* (Editor's note: Wouldn't Sue & Phyllis love to have a dozen or more eager volunteers step up offering S&S assistance at our next meeting without even being asked?!) **Sue Tolbert, Chairman/Phyllis Renfro, Co-Chairman**

Silent Auction

What locally-owned merchants do you routinely buy from? If you're one of their established customers, then by all means request those businesses on your Merchant Assignments List for Silent Auction at the July meeting. Pat, Carole and I will begin taking requests at this meeting. We would like you to visit four or five merchants to obtain donations of Silent Auction items. With your positive attitude and enthusiasm, we can make this the best Silent Auction yet! **Tina Grau, Silent Auction Chairman; Pat Martin and Carole Simpson, Co-Chairmen**



Vacation Bible School Report from Lt. Jo Ann

Thanks go out to SAWA ladies for all your hard work and your donations of snacks and monetary donations in helping make The Salvation Army 2010 VBS a success. On Friday of VBS, JoBeth Britt brought her therapy dogs Tad and Jester for the kids to play with during recreation time. She also brought her friend June Atwood and her Boston Terrier, Abby. Special thanks to these ladies who provided snacks and other VBS supplies, or who helped with VBS: Rosa Bells, Jo Beth Britt, Gwen Edris, Anna Evans, Cherry Hudson, Pat Martin, Jean McAlpin, Ann Page, and Frances Reeves.



June Volunteers

A big THANKS to our June Office Volunteers: Cheryl Lloyd, Judy Monroe, Louise Montgomery, Gloria Naylor, Martha Roberts, Dot Steen, and Barbara Yerger. Thrift Store volunteer: Wanda Clark, Carolyn Fugler. We regret if anyone was omitted from this listing.



Shhh..... keep this quiet!

As you check in at the July meeting, you will have an opportunity to contribute to a thank you gift for Brian and Jamie Leonard. They will be leaving at the end of July for 2 years of training at The Salvation Army Officers School in Atlanta. Jamie, as Social Worker, and Brian, as Bookkeeper, have been great assets to the operation and mission of The Salvation Army in Vicksburg. So let's thank them for all they have done for us and for those they serve, sending them away with our prayers and well wishes and a gift to help them on their way.

May Social Services Report

Jamie Leonard, our Social Worker, reports the following services provided clients during the month of May:



Total Cases:	35	Total Persons:	79
Cases Served 1st Time This Year:	31	Groceries:	13
Clothing Items:	126	Meals Served:	1690
Volunteers:	125, 339 hours	Rent/mortgage:	14
Power To Care:	6	Utilities:	15

:-) THIS IS HUGE!!



Summer Camp Info from Lieutenant Jo Ann

We have 17 campers signed up and ready to go to camp. Our children range from ages 6-16. All the children are very excited about going!!!

Camp pictures will not be available until the August meeting. Since we still have 2 more weeks of camp to go, we will wait until the August meeting to give a full camp report.



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